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TO REPUBLICAN VOTERS.

"Only persons registered in the general county register and such persons who may be eligible to register at the time they seek to enroll as members of the precinct club, shall be eligible to membership in the precinct club."—From the rules of the Republican party of the territory.

Mr. Voter, if you intend to take part in the nominations Friday night, in the primaries, the convention and the campaign, you must register. The city and county clerk's office will be open until 4 o'clock each day. Register today!

A PLANK FOR WHARF IMPROVEMENT

Mani's request for action on wharf construction at Kihel and Kahului emphasizes the fact that the development of territorial wharves has just begun, and that the next two years should see far more accomplished than has been accomplished in the present two-year period.

The board of harbor commissioners, created by the legislature of 1911, has done and is doing sterling work, but there is a tremendous amount to be done. The Hilo wharf matter has been threshed out and settled, and the plan for local improvements is well under way, but many other spots in the territory's immense sea-frontage need attention. Mani deserves early and thorough consideration; in Hawaii and Kauai are towns rapidly growing up which must be given facilities for inter-island commerce.

Upon the legislature of 1913 rests the responsibility of providing adequate funds for the harbor commission's work for the next two years.

The campaign for legislative office is now on. Every candidate for the house and the senate should, and we believe will, recognize the vital importance of giving the territory adequate wharfage for the commerce already doubling almost overnight and which will triple overnight with the opening of the Panama canal.

One of the planks in the Republican territorial platform should be a plank pledging members of the legislature to provide funds for the harbor commission's work. When the legislators are elected, there ought to be no question that they will incorporate in the loan appropriation bill an item carrying an amount of money that will allow the harbor board to go full steam ahead with its constructive plans.

THE TRUTH ABOUT MAGDALENA BAY

Congress's somewhat hasty rush to pass the Lodge resolution reaffirming the Monroe doctrine and thus giving unexpected credit to the sensational story of a deal for a tract of land on Magdalena Bay by a foreign power, has been followed by dark hints emanating from the statesmen at Washington that Japan is not the power against whose encroachments veiled warnings were issued.

When the Lodge resolution was whooped through amid a burst of patriotism and full-checked oratory, William Randolph Hearst, whose bright young reporters had been sent snooping around Magdalena Bay and writing of the imminence of Japanese invasion,—this same Hearst and other publishers broke into tall headlines and black print in jubilation of the neat way in which the enemy had been foiled. The "enemy" was then no other than Japan.

Since that time, it is coming to the surface that neither the state department nor the administration has entertained any suspicions of Japan, and presumably Senator Lodge has not, either. Utterances on this subject in the Washington papers and in other papers with correspondents at the national capital have evidently been indorsed at the White House. Thus the Washington Star remarks that there is "suspicion felt in some quarters that the real target of the senate resolution is not Japan, but one of the great European powers, which has been advancing with giant strides to a ranking place

among the great maritime forces of the world." The same paper points out that this power must have coaling stations on the Pacific.

Other allusions, while almost as mysteriously veiled, point with more definiteness at Germany as the probable target of this resolution. Emphasis is lent to the situation and to Uncle Sam's bold declaration by the sudden revival of discussion as to Germany's active advance in matters military and her preparations for a great navy.

At any rate, the new affirmation of the Lodge resolution will not be misunderstood by any power which may be looking toward Magdalena Bay.

THE MAKING OF THE PRESS

Newspapers are what the people make them, in the opinion of Dr. George E. Vincent, president of the University of Minnesota. The fact that Dr. Vincent used to be a reporter and for many years taught a course in journalism at the University of Chicago makes his words of more value than the ordinary attacks on the press, with which every newspaperman is familiar.

Dr. Vincent has no illusions that the American press is infallible. He also knows from personal experience that the majority of readers of any given paper, providing that paper is "making good", are being supplied with the kind of reading they want. It is simple enough; the paper would not live under contrary circumstances.

All of this leads this eminent educator, one of America's most brilliant speakers and thinkers, to say:

"The shortcomings of the press are the products of our national life for which all of us must assume our share of responsibility. Whatever may be the final outcome, it is safe to predict that for another generation or two the press will remain a privately owned public function. Improvement will come through many forces.

"The American press reflects the life of all of us, and it affects the life of all of us. We must all share the common task of raising slowly, steadily, courageously this life to a higher level of truth, of justice, of good will. We, the people, make the press what it is. The press can help us to make it and all our national institutions more nearly what they should be."

Chief of Detectives McDuffie has not yet reported the capture of the mysterious persons who pasted wrapping-paper over the billboards announcing the auto races. Inasmuch as the paper seems to have been pasted up in broad daylight, with plenty of witnesses to the operation, the problem of catching the miscreants is a tough one for the local Sherlock Holmes to unravel. It may be necessary to call into use the finger-print system that McDuffie imported from the coast recently. Meanwhile, let us not grow impatient. The biggest detective in the United States—in point of size—is on the job. He was also said to be the handsomest man at the Elks' carnival at Portland. Have no fear, citizens! If worst comes to worst, the defacers of billboards can walk down to McDuffie's office and say, "Here we are, chief. We could not long escape your eagle eye."

The morning paper classes Supervisor Low with the supervisors who are running the city on such an extravagant scale that it is a public scandal. As a matter of record, Low has been fighting against salary raises for many months. At the present time, Low, Arnold and Dwight are opposing an ordinance creating another job and loading another salary payment on the taxpayers.

The Star-Bulletin is glad to hear from Supervisor Arnold himself that he has not changed front in his opposition to the municipal record ordinance. Some of the supervisors trying to jam this ordinance through, in the face of outraged public opinion, have claimed Arnold as their ally. We believe he will stand firm.

"Bill" Flinn, who is declared to have tried to buy a seat in the United States senate for two million dollars, is one of Roosevelt's best little friends now, and also the man to whom A. L. C. Atkinson, in a letter to George R. Carter, refers to as "our friend, Bill Flinn," and "a trump."

Why can't some philanthropist give Congress a couple of battleships and let the tired statesmen go home for the summer—and the balance of the country get a rest?

Those opium-smugglers who sent "dope" through the local postoffice evidently weren't in a hurry.

Everybody has now been "notified" but Bill Bryan.

Nicaragua's annual summer revolution is on.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

CHARLES CHILLINGWORTH—I shall certainly support the enactment of a direct primary law by the next Legislature.

A. V. GEAR—I was not correctly quoted about the election of a president in the event of a deadlock. What I said was that the Senate, if the House failed to elect the president, would have to elect the vice president, who would be president to fill the vacancy. But I did not say that the Senate would so elect Taft.

INSPECTOR GIBSON—The trouble with local politics is the same experienced in every large city on the mainland—the average citizen is too lazy to come out and vote, but prefers to turn the polls over to the bosses, and then, when a lot of inefficient officials are put in power, the same average citizen sits back and says that the country is going to the dogs.

W. F. WILSON—The Portuguese and other residents have to thank Governor Frear, Attorney General Lindsey, Commissioner Tucker and Surveyor Wall for the great trouble they have been put to in carrying through the Auwailolu land matter. The Public Works Department has begun to work on the street grades, preparatory to calling for tenders for the construction of about four miles of new streets throughout the district. If it can possibly be arranged for the electric light, telephone and police and fire call wires to be put underground, it will help to make Punchbowl slope one of the prettiest residence districts in Honolulu.

U. S. ROADS

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In the surrounding mountains by the Second Infantry, and the results of this work have been carefully mapped and compiled.

The decision of the army defense board relating to roads is by far the most important action taken, from the standpoint of the general public. The roads will be under military care and supervision, but they will be open to the people of the island, subject to certain restrictions in the way of traffic, and the money spent by the United States government will pay direct dividends to Hawaii.

Endorse Murray Plan. When Major-General Arthur Murray, commander of the Western Division and former Chief of Coast Artillery of the army visited Oahu last December and made a strategic cruise around the island with Admiral Chauncey Thomas, on the flagship California, he gave to the Evening Bulletin correspondent who made the cruise with him by special permission of the Navy Department, an exclusive interview, in which he told of military roads as the key to defensive effectiveness.

It was then announced that Oahu was to be girded by a chain of defensive fortifications. That mortars, those bulwarks of modern ordnance, were to play the most important part in the general scheme, and that they would bark defiance and destruction at any hostile ships that might attempt to cover the landing of an armed force on the island. Military roads were to play a leading part in this defensive plan, and it now seems that the present board of army strategists, composed of the brainiest men available for the detail, have fallen in with General Murray's ideas, and that a new Oahu is soon to be moulded by men in khaki.

Some "Position" Guns. It is gleaned that the mobile army is to be increased by many troops to properly man the new fortifications, and that all possible landing places on the coast will be guarded by "position" guns of small calibre, besides the 12-inch mortar batteries. Batteries of field artillery will be posted at some central location, presumably Schofield Barracks, ready on instant notice to converge on the threatened points of attack, viz., the military highways which the Macomb board has now decided are of vital importance to the defensive strength of the "Gibraltar of the Pacific."

According to the Murray plan, which it is understood, the present board has endorsed with a few modifications, the mortar batteries will be so disposed along the entire coastline of Oahu that the zones of fire will reach every point of the sea approach, the nearest point which any war vessel could come without being within range of some mortar being 10,000 yards.

Alleging lack of jurisdiction of Judge Whitney, Judge of the Second Circuit court, Attorney Lorrin Andrews this morning carried his case against his former wife, Estelle Andrews, up to the supreme court. The latter issued a writ of prohibition, ordering Judge Whitney to desist from any further action in the case.

OAHU HOLDS BOARD ALONE

While bonds amounting to \$14,000 feature the recess transactions of the Stock Exchange, Oahu Sugar Co. monopolizes the session sales. Eighty shares of Oahu in six unequal lots sold unchanged at 27.625.

Between boards 10 Oahu Railway sold unchanged at 140 and 5 Oahu Sugar unchanged at 59. The bond sales were \$2000 Hawaiian Irrigation sixes at 101, \$5000 and \$6000 Oahu sixes at 97.50 and \$1000 Hilo Extension sixes at 91.75.

\$10,000 DWELLING FOR E. I. SPALDING

A ten thousand dollar residence for E. I. Spalding, vice president and manager of the Bank of Honolulu, is the principal item in the following list of building permits issued since last report about a week ago:

W. K. Namann, dwelling, Waiola, road; K. Hara, architect and builder; \$8000.

Koe Hing Yen, dwelling, Asylum road, Lau Chong, architect and builder; \$870.

F. Tamoto, dwelling, Punchbowl, M. Ohta, builder; \$700.

D. A. McNamara, dwelling, Makiki street; M. K. Goto, architect, Aloha Building Co., builder; \$1470.

Lui Hong Poo, four cottages, Kukui street; Sun Lee Tai & Co., builders; \$1800.

Mary Barboza Perelra, dwelling; Fort street; A. Y. Lee, architect; L. Ah Yee, builder; \$920.

J. J. Meyer, dwelling, Punahou tract M. Ohta, architect and builder; \$2500.

H. Kishi, dwelling, Manoa road; S. K. Fukamura, architect; Y. Fukaya, builder; \$5750.

E. Iwasaki, dwelling, Fort street; S. K. Fukamura, architect; City Contracting and Building Co., builder; \$1450.

Sam Hing, dwelling, Kaimuki, C. C. and B. Co., architect and builder; \$850.

Stangenwald Building, fire escape; Samuel Evans, builder; \$950.

K. Nakamura, three cottages, Lihilihi street; T. Horita, builder; \$1275.

S. A. Baldwin, servants' quarters, Nuuanu street; F. D. Wicke, builder; \$900.

Lum Kai, dwelling, Broad lane; L. Ah Yee, architect; Lee King, builder; \$800.

Mrs. A. K. Kaanaana, dwelling, Asylum road; J. Usui, contractor and builder; \$1475.

Leong Chew, dwelling, Kukui street; Sun Lee Tai & Co., architect and builders; \$800.

E. I. Spalding, dwelling, Punahou street; J. H. Craig, architect and builder; \$10,000.

WILL ASK NEW BIDS ON ROCKY HILL RESERVOIR

Marston Campbell, superintendent of public works, today rejected all the bids for the contract of constructing the Rocky Hill reservoir, and will readvertise the job, opening new bids for the work September 12. The lowest bid, that of the Lord-Young Engineering Company, was \$23,000, or about \$2,000 more than the amount of the last reservoir contract previously given.

It is understood that the rejected bids are too high, in the Superintendent's opinion, and that the readvertisement is made in the hope that lower figures may be obtained, either from the recent bidders or from new concerns.

FIELD ARTILLERYMEN ARE GOING TO SCHOOL

Four members of the first battalion of the First Field Artillery, stationed at Schofield Barracks, have been selected for instruction at the School of Fire, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, during the coming course. Orders arrived here this morning naming Captain Harry Williams, Lieutenant Harry Pfeil, Quartermaster Sergeant Frank Kinnard, and Sergeant Evert Adams to attend the school. The non-coms will leave on the next transport. The officers are at present in the states on leave.

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